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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MMOL, RP
SUBJ: PACIFIC PDM SURVEY

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1. IT REAMINS OUR VIEW THAT WE SHOULD BE SEEKING WAYS TO CONSOLIDATE AND REDUCE CLARK RATHER THAN BUILD IT UP. WE BELIEVE THERE ARE WAYS IN WHICH THIS MIGHT BE DONE WITHOUT IMPINGING UPON STRATEGIC AND OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS. FOR EXAMPLE, WE WOULD HOPE THAT CAREFUL CONSIDERATION COULD BE GIVEN TO MOVING THE WAR RESERVE MUNITIONS AND CERTAIN MAC-RELATED RESPONSIBILITIES NOW AT CLARK TO GUAM. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE BELIEVE THAT THE PDM SURVEY TEAM SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO CONCENTRATE ITS SURVEY ON GUAM RATHER THAN CLARK DURING ITS PLANNED VISIT TO THE AREA. WE WOULD, OF COURSE, BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE PROS AND CONS WITH THE TEAM HERE IF DESIRED.

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2. WE DO SEE MERIT IN CAREFULLY STUDYING THE GENERAL FEASIBILITY OF MOVING TO CONTRACT ARRANGEMENTS FOR SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES ALREADY AT CLARK. FILIPINOS ARE PARTICULARLY ADEPT AT PICKING UP SPECIALIZED MECHANICAL AND TECHNICAL SKILLS AND MOVING THEM INTO MORE OF THE OPERATIONS CURRENTLY AT CLARK SEEMS INEVITABLE AND IN

OUR BEST LONG-TERM INTEREST.

3. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT ESTABLISHING NEW FACILITIES
AT CLARK, CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE, WOULD SERVE OUR FUNDA-
MENTAL INTEREST IN PARING DOWN MARGINAL OPERATIONS TO
BETTER PRESERVE ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS.
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